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SUBJECT: REPORTED PLANS OF FINNISH SHIP TO DUMP ARSENIC IN SOUTH
ATLANTIC

1. CONSIDERABLE PRESS ATTENTION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO REPORTED PLANS
OF FINNISH SHIP ENSKERI, SAID HERE TO BELONG TO FINNISH GOVERN-
MENT AGENCY, TO DUMP INDUSTRIAL WASTE WITH HIGH ARSENIC CONTENT
IN SOUTH ATLANTIC. FOREIGN MINISTRY ISSUED STATEMENT THAT, "THE
FINNISH SHIP 'ENSKERI', IS CONTINUING TO SAIL TOWARD THE ATLANTIC,
WITH THE INTENTION OF DUMPING ITS CARGO OF ARSENIC ONCE THE
EQUATOR HAS BEEN CROSSED. JOINT MEASURES OF PROTEST ARE BEING
CARRIED OUT BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRIES OF BRAZIL, ARGENTINA AND
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URUGUAY".

2. WIDE PRESS PLAY ALSO GIVEN TO STATEMENTS BY PAULO NOGUEIRA NETO, HEAD OF GOB'S SPECIAL SECRETARIAT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, WHO HAS BEEN MEETING ON THE MATTER WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS. HE DECLARED (INTER ALIA), "BRAZIL IS NOT THE GARBAGE PAIL OF THE WORLD. . .WE STILL DO NOT KNOWN EXACTLY WHAT THE FINNISH SHIP IS CARRYING, BUT WE CAN GUARANTEE THAT IF IT WERE SOMETHING GOOD, THEY WOULD NOT COME HERE TO THE SOUTH ATLANTIC TO THROW IT AWAY. . ." NOGUEIRA NETO WAS ALSO QUOTED TO EFFECT THAT SITUATION DEMONSTRATED VALUE OF BRAZIL'S 200-MILE-TERRITORIAL-SEA POSITION.
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